

# Hulland Ward Parish Council

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## Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting held at Hulland Ward Millennium Village Hall On Monday 4 March 2024 at 7.00 pm

**Present:** Cllr P Birkbeck (Chair), Cllrs: M Atkin, k Dean, J Morgan and S Morgan, Cllr D Murphy (DCC) Mr T Sadler (representing Hulland Village) 2 Members of the Public. Mrs B Kirkham (Clerk)

### 1. Attendance & Apologies

Cllr Birkbeck welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Cllrs Chapman, Balls, Astle and Ms L Redfern (representing Biggin Parish)

### 2. Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on the 5 February 2024

The Council resolved to accept the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 5 February 2024 as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

### 3. Outstanding items from the previous meeting

There were no outstanding items from the previous meeting.

### 4. Declaration of interests

Cllr Birkbeck declared a non-pecuniary interest as a School Governor.

### 5. Briefings/Comments:

#### a) District and County Councillors

Cllr Murphy reported that following a visit to Hulland Ward and other villages from a County Council Officer it had been agreed to replace a bridge on a footway and some work on trees and bushes which work will go ahead in new financial year. The serious problem of water flooding on Moss Lane will be inspected this week by a drainage expert; the site is particularly dangerous in the evening. It was understood that the water problem is being caused by water coming off from the Wheeldon Way development. Cllr Murphy is creating a map to log the potholes in villages so that they can be compared to what is on the County Council system. Cllr Murphy was thanked for his approval of a £500 towards a new gate for the playing field.

#### b) Invited comments from Hulland and Biggin Parishes

Mr Sadler reported that the new Hulland Hollow signage had been erected; new road markings, will be done shortly when weather permits. A County Council Footpath officer doing site visit had been very beneficial. The Hulland Village litter pick will be on the 23 March starting at 10 am. Mr Sadler urged everyone to report potholes.

#### c) Invited comments from the public

A resident expressed his concern about the plan for 15 houses on land off Biggin View.

### 6. Village Development:

#### a) Planning Appeal approval for 15 houses on land off Biggin View

Nothing new to report on this matter at present.

#### b) Update on Wheeldon Way Development

The Councillors viewed photos of the road damage on Wheeldon Way, this damage had been reported to County Highways.

### 7. Village Image & Environment:

**a) Play Area Update**

This matter to be carried forward. **Action: Clerk**

**b) Update on Footpath Maintenance**

This matter to be carried forward.

**c) Speeding Issues – signs/community speed watch/speed watch signs**

MVAS data for February was now on the Parish Council website, the results were still showing some high speeds. The Council resolved that they would like Hulland Ward to be involved in the recently publicised trial of ANPR cameras. **Action: Cllr Dean**

**d) Neighbourhood Watch**

The Safer Neighbourhood Team in Ashbourne was now fully staffed and sending out monthly newsletters; more face to face meetings were planned. Cllr Atkin had sent out information to members about the recent parvo virus among dogs in the village.

**e) Defibrillator**

Training session to be organised in due course. Cllr Atkin to order pads for the defibrillator. **Action: Clerk**

**f) Great British Spring Clean taking place from 15<sup>th</sup> – 31 March**

The Council resolved to hold a Village litter pick on Saturday 16 March at 10.30am, meeting at the playing field, Clerk to order equipment and 50 refuse bags. **Action: Clerk**

**g) Drainage on the Playing Field/Moss Lane Flooding issue**

A resident had complained that water from the playing field was causing the flooding issue on Moss Lane, but it was noted that drainage from the playing field goes into the sewerage system. It was thought that surface water from the Wheeldon Way development was causing the problem.

**8. Village Hall Committee Update**

The spare outdoor Seat was still at the Village Hall, and this needed to be moved. Clerk to ask the Handyman to move this to the Orchard. The Chair and Clerk had both attended meetings with representatives of the Village Hall Committee. The matter of the Hall reclaiming VAT was to be referred to Rural Action Derbyshire. **Action: Clerk**

**9. Car Park Extension at the Village Hall**

It was noted that if work did not go ahead on the Car Park extension, then the s106 money would have to be returned to the District Council. The Council resolved to obtain preliminary quotes for the groundworks only. **Action: Cllr Birkbeck**

**10 Sale of land at Snappers Knowe, appointment of solicitors and clauses to be put on the sale**

This matter was now in the hands of the solicitors. Title Deeds for the land would be deposited with the solicitors within the next few days. **Action: Clerk**

**11- Finance and Administration:****a) Website/Facebook Page Updates**

The website and Facebook Page were all up to date.

**b) Website/Email – To consider proposal to change to a .gov.uk domain name, to agree the new domain name and to continue the current domain.**

The Council resolved to move to a .gov.uk domain name which would be hullandwardpc.gov.uk.

**Action: Clerk**

**c) Website/Email – To consider appointing an approved Registrar to register the new domain and provide support**

The Council resolved that the clerk should obtain quotes from 3 approved registrars. **Action: Clerk**

**d) Website/Email – To agree number of email addresses required**

The Council resolved that they would need 10 email addresses, 1 for each Councillor and 1 for the Clerk.

**e) Freedom on Information Request**

The Clerk informed the Council that a Freedom of Information request had been received, this had been responded to, the financial information request was actually on the Council's website.

**f) Social Media Training for the Clerk at a cost of £50**

The Council resolved that the Clerk should attend Social Media Training being organised by DALC.

**Action: Clerk**

**g) Update on Finances**

The balance in the current account was £38,399.00. It was proposed that some of the Council's funds be moved to a high interest account. **Action: Clerk**

**h) Invoices and Expenses for approval at this meeting:**

The Council resolved to approve payment of the following invoices:

Darren Cartwright	82.00
DALC Annual Subscription Enhanced Membership	571.36
Nigel Davis	30.00
Clerk's Salary	275.63
Nest Pensions	37.57
Clerk's Expenses	26.23

**12 Review & Update on Capital Projects**

The Council was looking to carry out work on a Car Park extension at the Village Hall.

**13 Councillor's Reports & Observations**

- Cllr Atkin declared that she would be resigning from the Council but would continue to look after the defibrillator. Cllr Atkin was thanked for her work on the Council.
- Parts of the Scout Lane footpath were very boggy and there was lack of clear signage. Cllr S Morgan to send details to the Clerk. **Action: Clerk**

**14 Clerk's Report & Correspondence**

The Clerk had received a quote for lamp post testing at a cost of £210 this was the same price as last year. This work needed to be done annually before hanging baskets and Christmas trees can be erected. The Council resolved to accept the quote. Cllr Dean to accompany the company when they do the testing. **Action: Cllr Dean & Clerk**

**15 Resolution to close the meeting to discuss tenders received for the Village Mowing and Handyman Contract**

The Council resolved to close the meeting to members of the public.

**16 Consideration of the tenders received for the Village Mowing and Handyman Contract**

After careful consideration of the 3 quotations received the Council resolved to accept the quote from Darrent Cartwright of Cartwright Landscaping at a total cost per annum of £6,347 per annum. **Action: Clerk**

**17 Date of next Meeting**

The next meeting would be held on Monday 8 April at 7 pm in the Village Hall. The meeting closed at 20:42.

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